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THE NIGHT OF THE TRAPDOOR

I CERTIFY THE EVENTS RELATED HEREIN TO BE TRUE.
THE SHADOW

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WITHIN THE CRUMBLING WALLS...

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT... THE MUMMY--!!

STOP BEING ASTONISHED, PROFESSOR-- AND MOVE! WE'VE GOT TO SAVE HIM!

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HOWEVER, THE STONES BENEATH THE CLOAKED AVENGER'S FEET GAPE WIDE... HE DROPS...



T-THE TRAP...
THE MAYANS
BUILT IT
TO KILL
INTRUDERS--



I DON'T EXPECT
YOU TO UNDERSTAND
MY WORDS...BUT...
YOU'LL CERTAINLY
UNDERSTAND A
JUDO THROW!

GOURAGEOUS
AND SKILLED
THOUGH SHE
IS, MARGO
IS UNABLE
TO WARD OFF
A BLOW FROM
BEHIND...

--AND AS SHE DROPS STUNNED, THE NATIVE HURLS
HIS SPEAR...

HE COULDN'T HAVE
SURVIVED THAT
ATTACK! IT'S
NOT POSSIBLE!

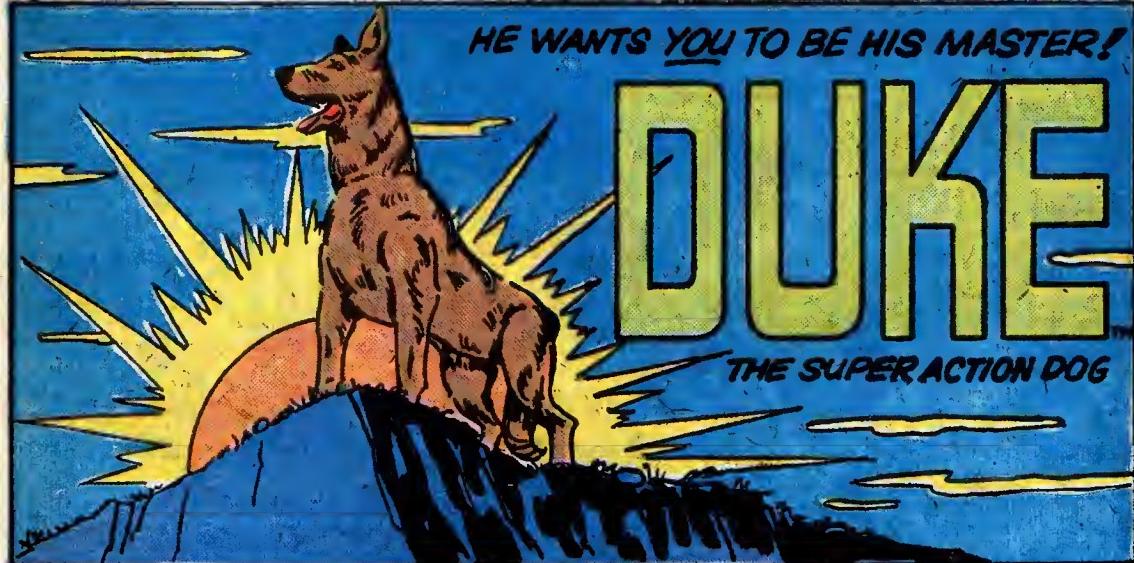
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YOU
SURVIVE
THAT
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MERELY
USED
THEM!

NEXT ON THE
PROGRAM...WE
CHECK THE
MUMMY...
RIGHT?



WE RETURN TO NEW YORK TONIGHT--AND WE TAKE THE MUMMY WITH US, YET!

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WITH OUR CHUM IN THE BANDAGES, HUH? HE GIVES ME THE WILLIES, BUT YOU'RE THE BOSS!

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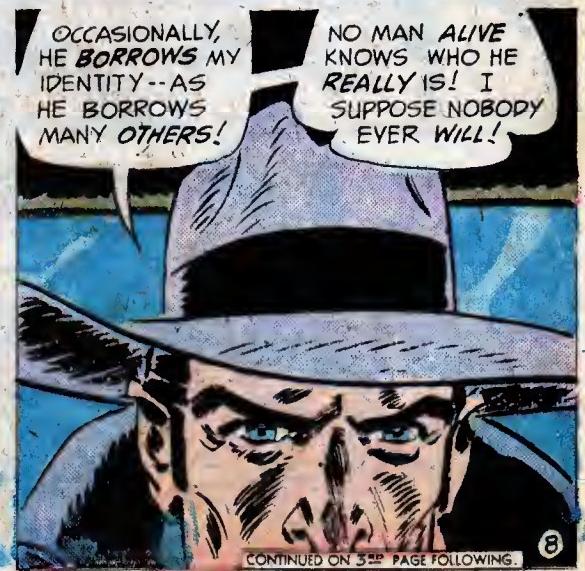
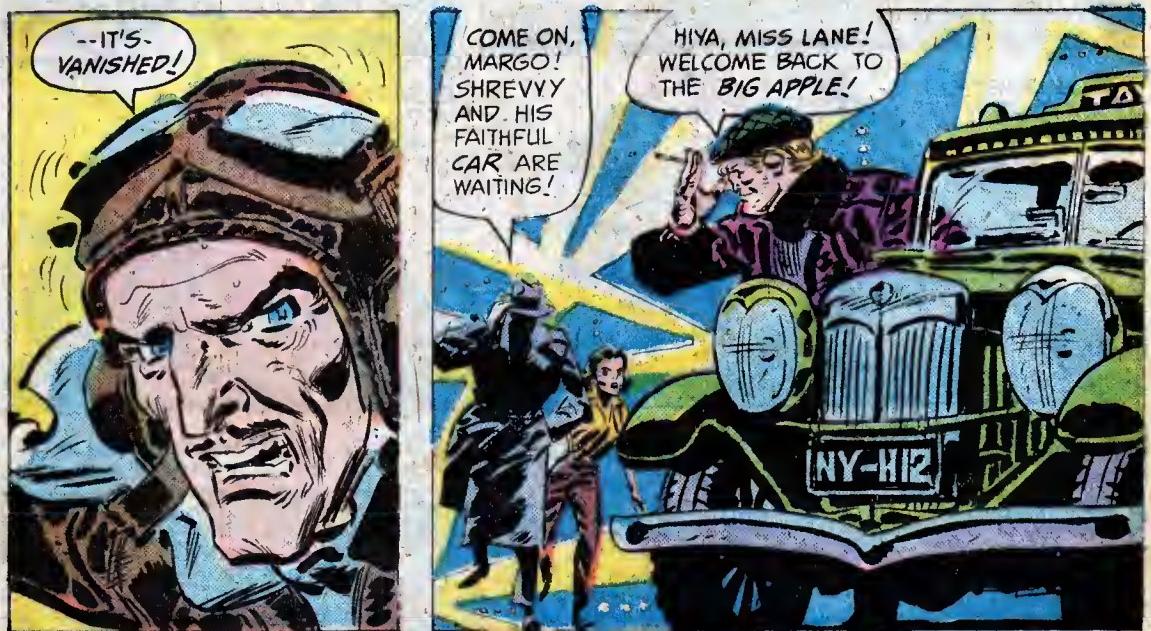
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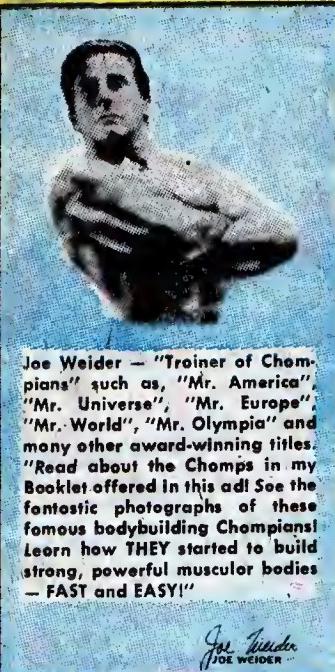




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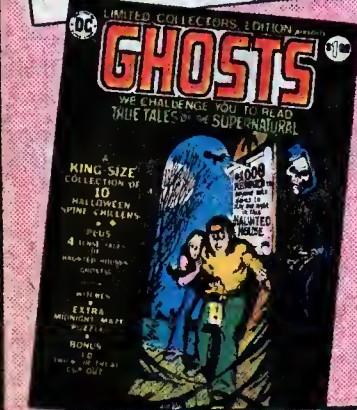
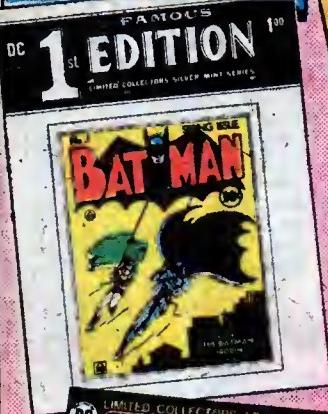
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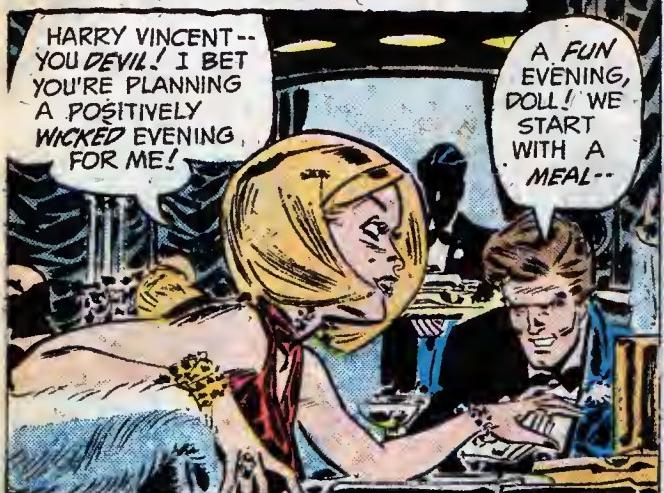
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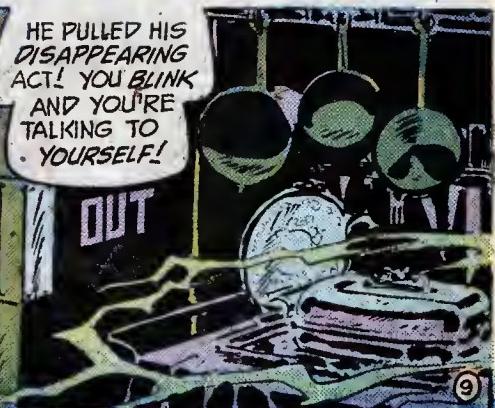
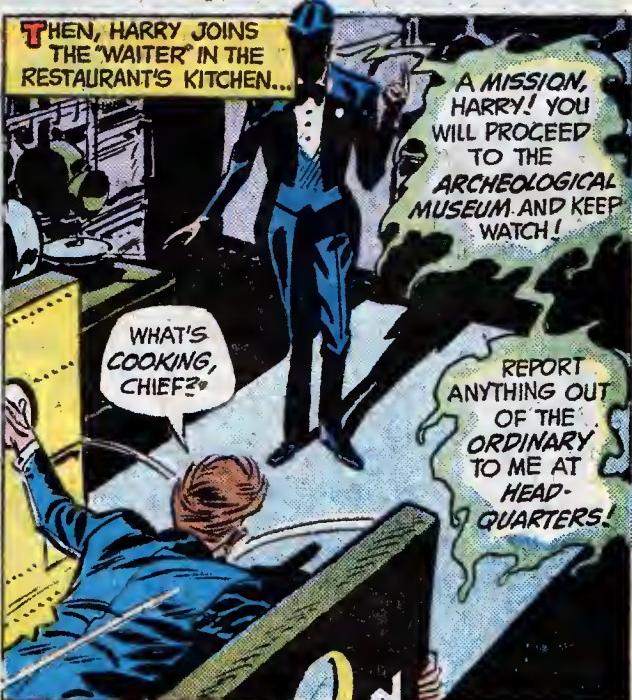
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SHOULDN'T
COMPLAIN!
WORKING
FOR HIM MAY BE
AGGRAVATING,
BUT IT'S NEVER
DULL!

SPEAKING OF WHICH...
THOSE THREE BOZOS
OUTSIDE THE MUSEUM
POSITIVELY REEK
OF WRONG!



HE'S THROWING
SOMETHING INTO
THAT PARKED CAR...
LOOKS LIKE...



THEY'RE
HOT-FOOTING
IT AWAY... ONE'S
HEADING FOR
THE SUBWAY,
AND HIS CHUMS
ARE MOVING
FOR THE PARK!

...CAN'T NAB 'EM ALL,
BUT I OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO
NAIL AT LEAST A PAIR...

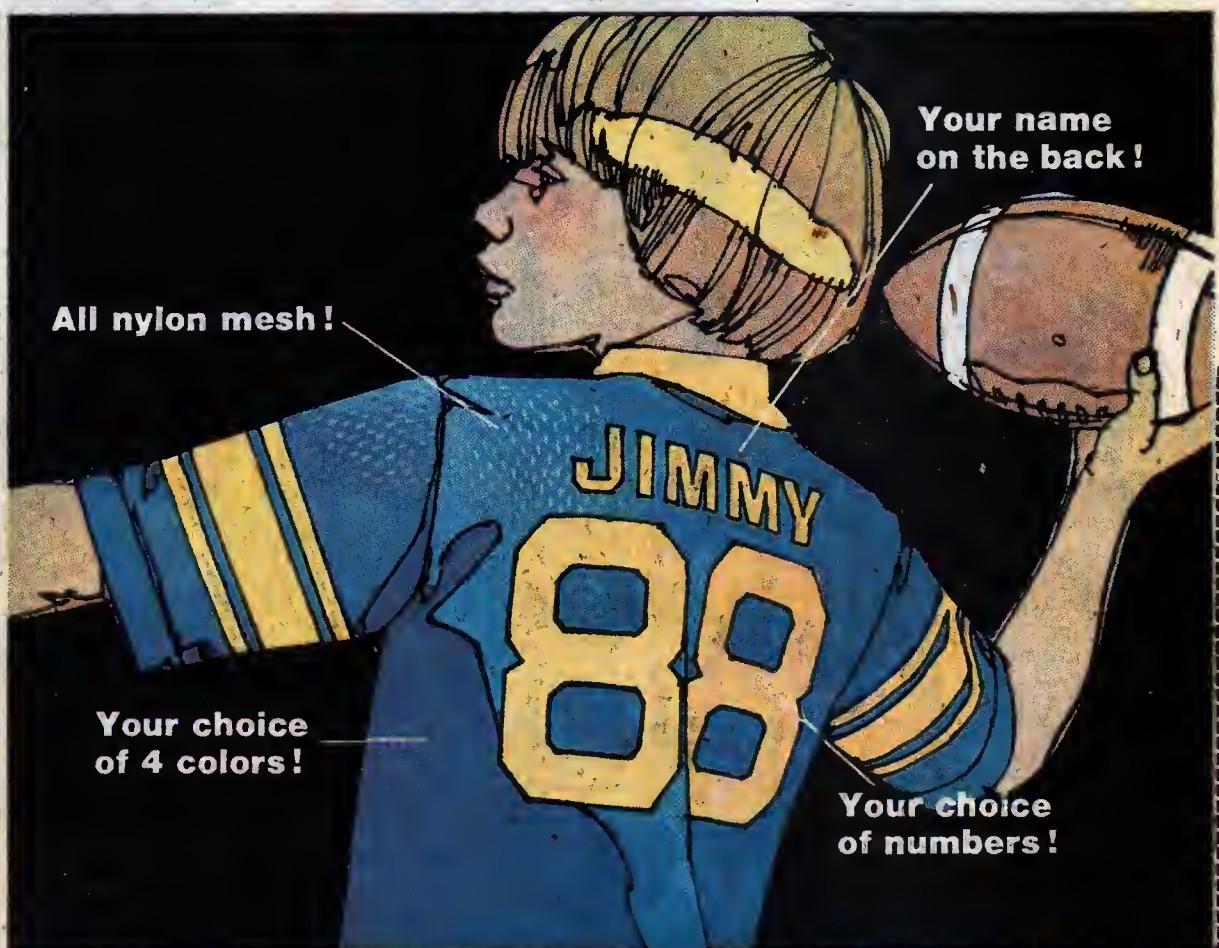




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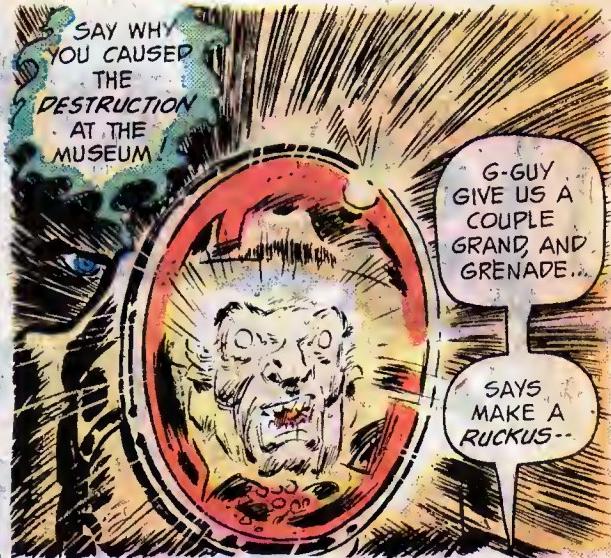
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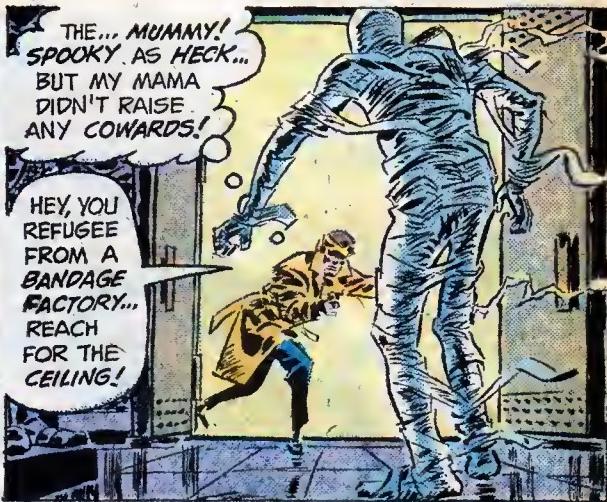


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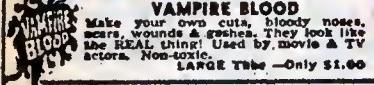
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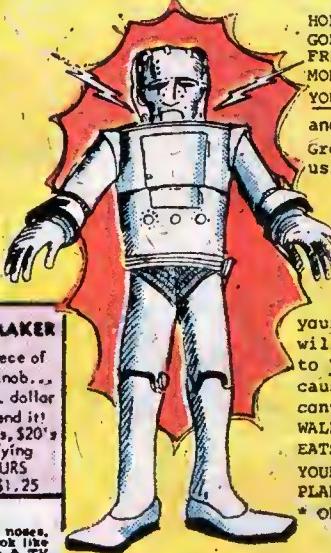
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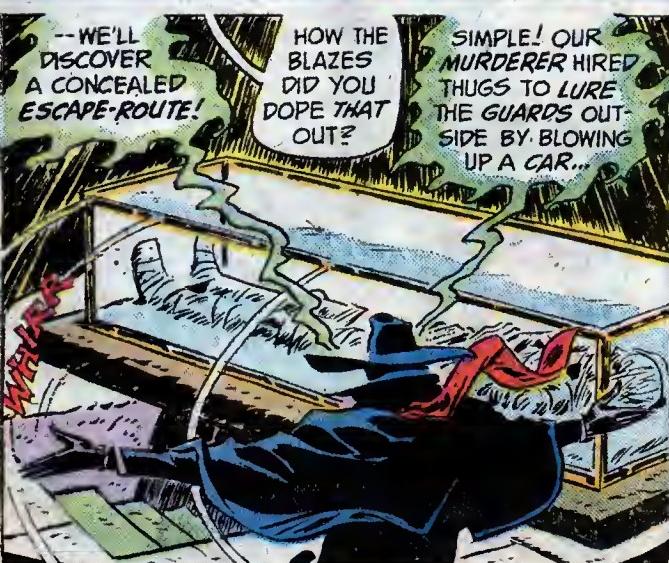
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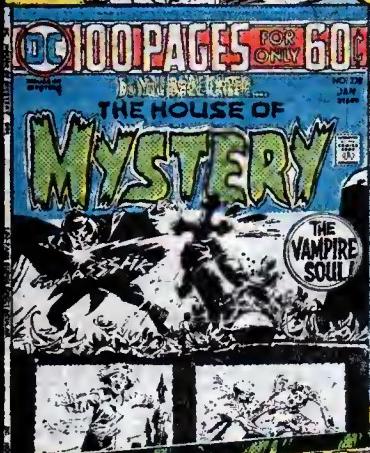
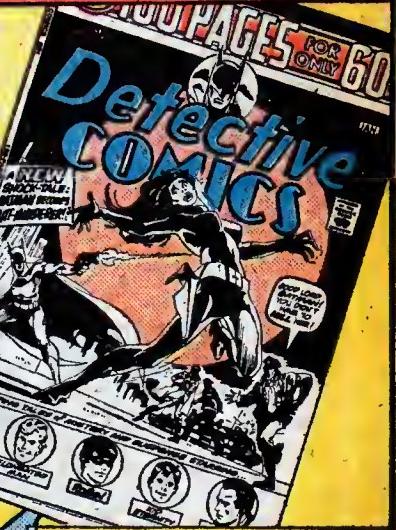
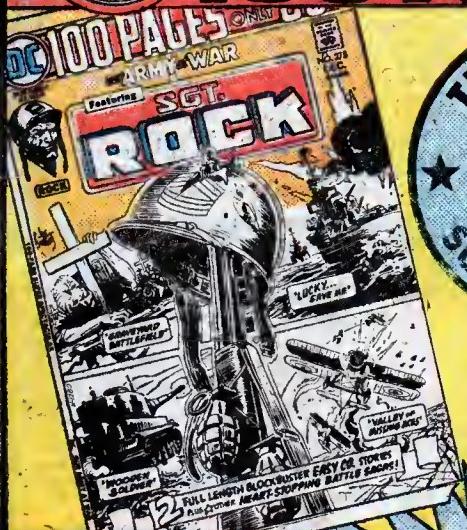
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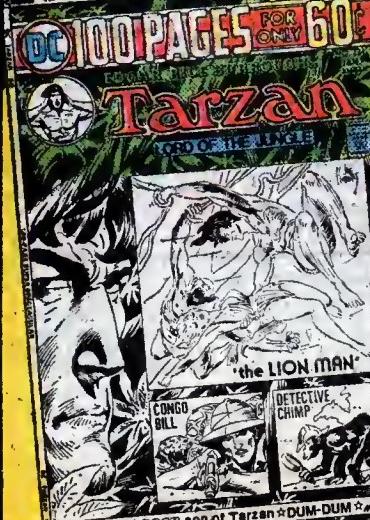
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Because of summer schedule juggling, I'm having to type this lettercol before much mail is in on SHADOW #6—here in New York, it's only been on sale a day or two. But we'll give you what we have, beginning with what I would call a rave ...

Dear Denny and Mike,

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Kevin Sexton, North Babylon, N.Y.

Dear Editor,

My father listened to the Shadow radio show when he was a kid. He said that the best thing about the show was the fact that you could use your imagination while listening to the plot unravel. I have a suggestion. How about setting aside in each book a page for a written story along with the comic story? In this manner, the reader can use his imagination to picture an adventure of the Shadow.

Sincerely,

Albert Emery, West Miami, Fla.

Interesting idea, Albert. If we did as you suggest, though, we'd have to either a) abandon this letters page, or b) cut one page from the illustrated story. I dunno . . . What say the rest of the Shadowphiles?

Dear Denny,

In the latest issue of The Shadow, you were lamenting over the absence of the Shadow paperbacks. Well, starting in October, they'll be available from Pyramid books. They'll be published monthly at 95c. The first will be, "The Black Master."

Sincerely,

Shaun McLaughlin, Tonawanda, N.Y.

Hey, I've just checked with Pyramid and everything Shaun says is dead true. Which is fine news for us all.

Dear Editor,

In your recent Tarzan Giant Collectors' Edition you stated that the Shadow was Kent Allard, alias Lamont Cranston. In your comic, you said that The Shadow poses as Lamont Cranston, but that is not his real name. Please give his real name and PLEASE give us his origin. Thanks.

David Cerretag, Iowa City, Ia.

The story in this issue should establish once and for all that Cranston and The Shadow are NOT the same person. As to who the Shadow really is . . . well, we would need an origin tale to establish that, wouldn't we? David wants one, but our next correspondent, Ray Engelberg, feels differently . . .

Dear Denny,

For five issues, you've done a laudable job of sustaining the essence of The Shadow as it existed in the pulps. In issue #6, however, you seem to

have fallen short of the standards you've established in the past.

The fault lies in the depiction of too many emotional displays by the Shadow himself, notably on pages two and nine. Very human reactions, to be sure, but simply out of character for the Shadow. Granted, your character insight into other DC stars has been your strong point, but applying this insight to The Shadow doesn't work. Here is a figure who embodies the mysterious and the outre: an embodiment that can only be maintained through a reader-Shadow detachment that was lacking here.

This, however, was the only thing lacking in "The Night of the Ninja." Mike's art lived up to what was promised in issue #5 and the script was fast-moving and suspenseful.

And let the origin of your title character remain something only The Shadow knows.

Very truly yours,

Ray Engelberg, Bronx, N.Y.

Afraid I can't agree with you about The Shadow's emotionality in the pages you mentioned, Ray. The lads in the office here—such luminaries as Cary Bates, Elliot S. Maggin and Allan Asherman—think The Shadow was merely issuing orders to get things done in those sequences. So say I, too.

Dear Denny,

I would like to see more of Burbank and Shrevy.

Sandy Drob is right—much of The Shadow's mystique lies in his omnipresence; he is continually lurking behind the scenes and you never know where he will show up next.

One thing about the stories annoys me—the two-page cliffhanger at the end of each story. I have utmost faith in The Shadow's survival instinct; it would be nice to have him sending the villain plummeting to death alone. Other than that, the stories do an excellent job of capturing the flavor of the pulps.

As to The Shadow operating in the 1970's—anyone who has read Philip Jose Farmer's "Doc Savage: His Apocalyptic Life" knows what The Shadow is currently doing, and with whom. It's a shame the competition owns the rights to Doc.

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Ross R. Pavlac, Columbus, Ohio

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